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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

24 May 1977

National Intelligence Officers

MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

SUBJECT: Briefing of Admiral Zumwalt

1. Admiral Elmo Zumwalt will be at the Agency on Thursday, 9 June, for a briefing on the PRC. He plans to go to China for three weeks at the end of June. Our meeting with him will be from 1430-1730 in Room 7E-32. We have been asked to include a representative from DIA and I've passed this on to [redacted] of DIA/DE.

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2. I see the briefing as follows:

a. First 90 minutes covering the Chinese military: This would include a discussion of Chinese military strategy, the Sino-Soviet confrontation, the military balance in the Taiwan area, the status of Chinese hardware and its needs (including imports of defense related technology). Also to be covered would be the Chinese military budget and procurement.

I suggest DIA handle one part of this briefing.

b. Second 45 minutes on the Chinese political scene to include:

- Chinese leadership, alignments, dynamics and issues.
- Basic social problems and provincial problems.
- The significance of Teng Hsiao-ping.

c. Third 45 minutes on the economy:

- Where it has been and where it is headed.
- Strengths and weaknesses.

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[redacted] I suggest
we meet on 31 May between 0930-1000 in 5G-00 for a planning
session.

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